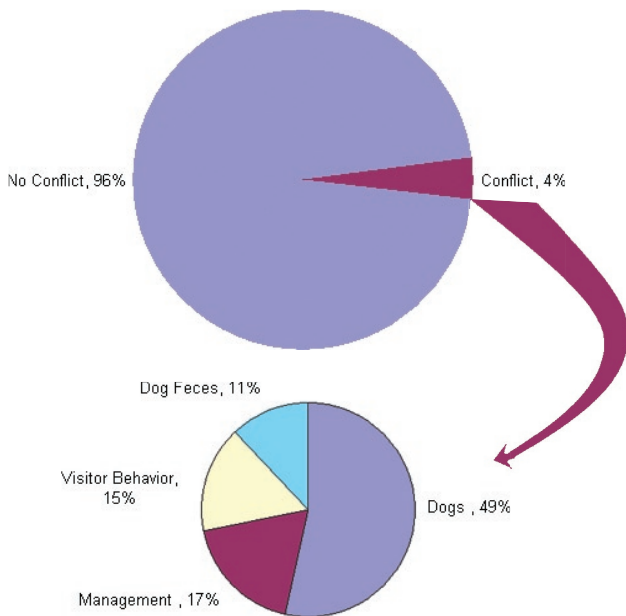


### Are all these people getting along?

Overall, 96% of visitors report no conflict or unpleasant situations during their visit.

#### Reported Conflict



For the 154 individual respondents who indicated some type of conflict, 60% was associated with dogs and dog feces, 17% with management-related concerns, and 15% with inconsiderate visitor behavior.



This brochure shares a brief summary of some of the visitor study results. A detailed report can be found at [www.osmp.org](http://www.osmp.org).



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# Visitation Estimate and Visitor Survey

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## Introduction

Knowing what activities people participate in, where they are from, and what they think about OSMP services provides critical feedback about how to best meet management goals. To learn about Open Space and Mountain Parks (OSMP) visitors, an on-site survey was used to collect information on visitor characteristics and beliefs. A total of 2,806 questionnaires were collected.

## How many visitors were there?

OSMP is a very busy place, receiving an estimated 4.7 million annual person visits. Automated trail counters were used to estimate system-wide annual visitation.

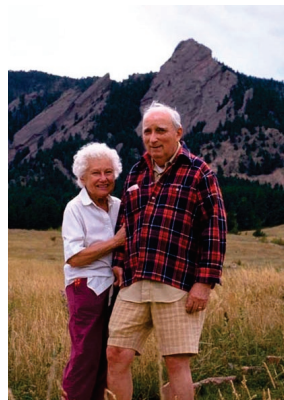
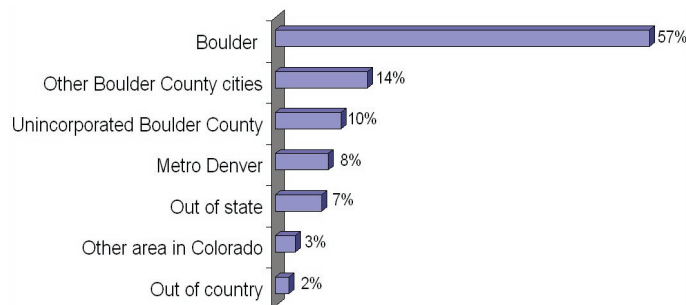
## What are some visitor characteristics?

The average visit lasts one hour with an average of 12 visits per month. Most people either drive (58%) or walk (32%) to the trailheads. People visit most in the summer (29%), followed by spring (27%) and fall (25%), then winter (19%).

## Where do visitors come from?

Most (81%) of the respondents come from Boulder County, of whom 57% live within Boulder, 14% live in other Boulder County cities and 10% live in unincorporated Boulder County. 8% live in Metro Denver, 7% live out of state, 3% live in other areas in Colorado, and 2% live out of country.

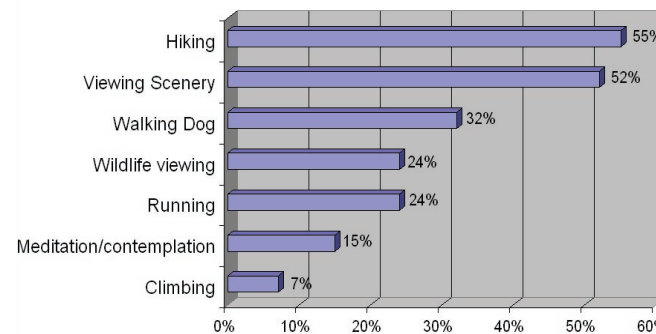
### Respondents' Residence



## In what activities do visitors participate?

About half of respondents hike or view scenery, a third walk a dog and a quarter view wildlife or run. Respondents could select more than one activity.

### Most Frequent Activities



## How did visitors rate the overall quality of services?

Overall, 71% gave OSMP management a letter grade of "A." OSMP earned a "B" average across all criteria. Items most noted as needing attention were: fixing eroded or trampled areas, trailhead or nature education, enforcement of rules and restroom cleanliness.

### Management Grades

